

**CALENDAR ITEM
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GENERAL LEASE - PUBLIC AGENCY USE

APPLICANT:

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
16349 Shasta Dam Boulevard
Shasta Lake, California 96019

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Nine parcels of sovereign lands in the Sacramento River, near Redding, Shasta County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Continued placement and maintenance of clean gravel for the rehabilitation and restoration of King Salmon and winter-run chinook salmon spawning grounds.

LEASE TERM:

20 years, beginning August 9, 2000.

CONSIDERATION:

The public use and benefit; with the State reserving the right at any time to set a monetary rent if the Commission finds such action to be in the State's best interest.

SPECIFIC LEASE PROVISIONS:

Insurance:
None.
Bond:
None.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. On August 22, 1990, the Commission authorized a General Lease - Public Agency Use with the California Department of Fish and Game (DFG). DFG placed approximately 100,000 cubic yards of clean gravel onto the

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sites shown on Exhibit A of this Item. Thereafter, DFG assigned its interests in this project to the Applicant. Applicant either owns or has a right to use the uplands adjoining the lease premises. Furthermore, Applicant has secured all necessary permits to conduct the operation and now seeks a General Lease - Public Agency Use from this Commission.

2. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA under the general rule that the CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The staff believes, based on the information available to it, that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Authority: Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061 (b)(3).

3. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

APPROVALS OBTAINED:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Game, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, city of Redding.

EXHIBIT:

- A. Location Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 BECAUSE THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT THE ACTIVITY MAY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT

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EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT; TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 (b)(3).

SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE USE CLASSIFICATION DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE LAND PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTIONS 6370, ET SEQ.

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION OF A GENERAL LEASE - PUBLIC AGENCY USE, BEGINNING AUGUST 9, 2000, FOR A TERM OF TWENTY YEARS, FOR THE PLACEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF CLEAN GRAVEL ON THE LANDS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; CONSIDERATION BEING THE PUBLIC USE AND BENEFIT, WITH THE STATE RESERVING THE RIGHT AT ANY TIME TO SET A MONETARY RENT IF THE COMMISSION FINDS SUCH ACTION TO BE IN THE STATE'S BEST INTEREST.